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SUBJ: SECURITY STILL IMPROVING IN BEIRUT

REF: BEIRUT 12382

1. APART FROM TERRORIST INCIDENT AT AIRPORT REPORTED SEPARATELY, BEIRUT WAS RELATIVELY QUIET NIGHT OCT. 3-4 AND TO 1000 HOURS (LOCAL) TODAY, OCT. 4 TRAFFIC TODAY NEAR NORMAL IN MOST PARTS OF CITY. SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE DISMANTLING BARRICADES OF PRIVATE MILITIAMEN, BUT COMPLIANCE IS NOT TOTAL. ON-AND-OFF ROADBLOCKS SET UP BY UNDETERMINED ARMED ELEMENTS ARE CURRENT MAIN PREOCCUPATION OF SECURITY FORCES.

2. "NATIONAL DIALOGUE COMMITTEE" MET OCT 3. SESSION WAS MARKED BY ACrimonious EXCHANGE BETWEEN PHALANGE LEADER GEMAYEL AND DRUZE LEFTIST LEADER JUMBLATT. LATTER REITERATED HIS DEMAND THAT ALL THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR SEPT 30 KILLING OF DRUZE BE TURNED OVER TO AUTHORITIES. RESULTS OF THE MEETING WERE INCONCLUSIVE. WITH PRIME MINISTER KARAME DECLARING TO THE PRESS AT THE END THAT MEMBERS HAD BEEN SATISFIED WITH PROGRESS IN RESTORATION OF SECURITY. NEXT MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE OCT. 9 AFTER THE IID AL-FITR HOLIDAY MARKING THE END OF THE MOSLEM FASTING MONTH OF RAMADAN.

3. DATT HAS INFORMATION THAT ZGHORTA AREA IN NORTH LEBANON IS CALM TODAY.

4. BARRING SUDDEN DOWNTURN IN SECURITY PICTURE, WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE SENDING SITREP TOMORROW, OCT. 5, NOR PERHAPS ON OFFICIAL IID AL-FITR HOLIDAY OCT. 6.
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